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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The initial period for response to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 1, 2003, expired January 1, 2004. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136 petition is hereby made for a three-month extension of time up to and including April 1, 2004 in which to respond to the Official Action. A check in the amount of \$475.00 for the extension fee is enclosed herewith.

Authorization is hereby provided to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

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Respectfully submitted,

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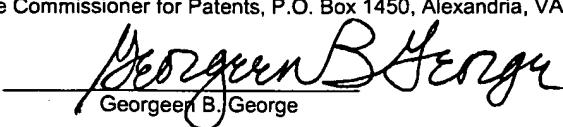
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